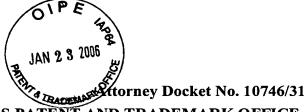
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AMENDMENT (33,865)

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 18, 2005 (the three-month response date for which is January 18, 2005), reconsideration of the above-referenced application is respectfully requested in view of the following.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are found in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin at page 20 of this paper.

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